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FOR COUNSELOR AND EUR/ASSISTANT SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: FRANCOIS MITTERRAND'S TRIP TO THE UNITED STATES

REF: PARIS 14821

1. FRANCOIS MITTERRAND'S CLOSE ASSOCIATE HENRY DELISLE WILL BE DEPARTING FOR THE UNITED STATES JULY 2 ON AN INTERNATIONAL VISITOR GRANT. HE WILL PROBABLY BE SCHEDULED FOR CALLS AT THE STATE DEPARTMENT ON OR ABOUT JULY 7. AS INDICATED REFTEL, DELISLE'S MAIN OBJECTIVE AT STATE WILL BE TO SET THE STAGE FOR A VISIT TO THE US BY MITTERRAND NEXT FALL. WE EXPECT DELISLE WILL TAKE THE FOLLOWING LINE:

2. DATES FOR THE VISIT -- DELISLE CAN BE EXPECTED TO SAY THAT MITTERRAND WOULD LIKE TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES FOR ABOUT FOUR DAYS BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 15 AND OCTOBER 1. HE WILL ALSO NOTE THAT IF IS MORE CONVENIENT, MITTERRAND COULD MAKE THE TRIP DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER.

3. REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENTS -- DELISLE WILL PROBABLY SAY THAT MITTERRAND WANTS VERY MUCH TO COME TO THE
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UNITED STATES, AND WOULD LIKE ASSISTANCE IN FINDING A

SUITABLE REASON TO DO SO. HE WILL INQUIRE ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF GETTING MITTERRAND AN INVITATION TO SPEAK TO THE COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS. HE WILL ALSO SAY THAT MITTERRAND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE APPOINTMENTS AT THE HIGHEST LEVELS, AND WILL ASK ABOUT THE POSSIBILITIES. COMMENT: WE HAVE HEARD FROM RELIABLE SOURCES THAT MITTERRAND DOES NOT CONSIDER IT REALISTIC TO HOPE FOR AN AUDIENCE AT THE WHITE HOUSE AND WILL CONSIDER A CALL ON THE SECRETARY IF IT CAN BE ARRANGED, AS FULLY MEETING HIS DESIRES.

4. DELISLE AS A NEGOTIATOR: THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HENRY DELISLE AND FRANCOIS MITTERRAND IS VERY CLOSE, BUT WE SUSPECT THAT DELISLE MAY ON OCCASION OVERSTEP HIS MANDATE IN CARRYING OUT MITTERRAND'S INSTRUCTIONS. THERE ARE, FOR EXAMPLE, SOME INDICATIONS THAT THE MALADROIT WAY IN WHICH MITTERRAND'S REQUEST FOR A CALL ON THE SECRETARY DURING HIS PARIS STAY WAS HANDLED WAS THE RESULT OF A DELISLE MISUNDERSTANDING OF HIS INSTRUCTIONS. IT IS A SOMEWHAT CHASTENED DELISLE WHO WILL BE SPEAKING FOR HIS PATRON IN WASHINGTON; HE WILL HAVE SPENT SEVERAL HOURS WITH MITTERRAND BEFORE LEAVING AND WILL PRESUMABLY HAVE HIS INSTRUCTIONS DOWN PAT. DELISLE SPEAKS GOOD ENGLISH AND IS A GOOD LISTENER. RUSH
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